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Meeting could save bridge

Foreclosure
is threatened
by St. Louis

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

A planned sale of the Missouri portion of the McKinley Bridge by the city of St. Louis for back taxes could force the structure's closure in as little as a few months.

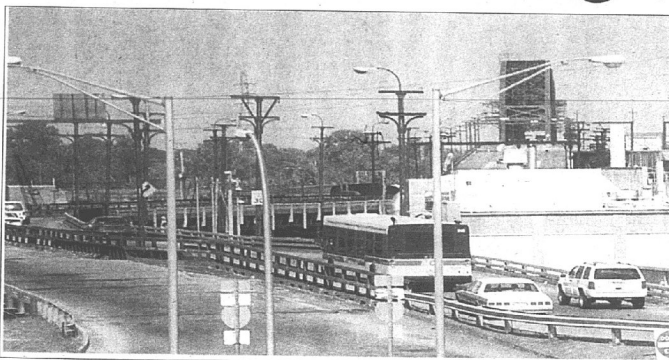
An auction is set for Aug. 10 on the steps of the St. Louis Civil Courts Building. The city of Venice, which owns the bridge, owes St. Louis more than \$500,000 in taxes, interest and penalties from 1994-1996.

However, St. Louis city officials said a meeting is planned for sometime next week to find a way to avert the sale.

The sale of the bridge could halt a \$12 million renovation project that is set to begin next year. If Venice loses control of the western portion of the bridge, the Illinois Department of Transportation has said it would pull out of the project, taking about \$8.9 million in funding and placing the remaining federal funding in jeopardy. "We don't want that to happen," said Tom Fields, bridge consultant for Venice. "All our efforts up to this point are to avoid that loss of ownership."

"IDOT has told us that if the city of Venice loses possession of the property, whether it's to Land Reutilization or some other agency, we will have to take over the bridge," Fields said.

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Traffic rolls towards the McKinley Bridge for the journey across the Mississippi River.

Tim Stephenson photo

A Brooklyn bridge kind of deal?

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

If someone offered to sell the Brooklyn Bridge, you would think something was fishy.

Tom Fields, bridge consultant for Venice, said potential buyers should probably think the same thing about the proposed auction of the western half of the McKinley Bridge.

The City of St. Louis is planning an Aug. 10 auction of the bridge, owned by the city of Venice, for back taxes. The minimum bid

would have to cover the taxes, interest and penalties, about \$500,000. But that's only the beginning.

"It will take more than \$500,000 to purchase the property," he said. "That only includes 1994 through 1996; it doesn't include 1997 through 1999. That will be tagged onto the new owner, so they will be hit with a million

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Dyed hair may keep students out of school

Board amends gang policy

By Michael Heil
Staff writer

Students who return to school this fall with dyed hair or excessive make-up or body piercing may find themselves out of the classroom and in the comfort of their homes.

At its meeting Tuesday, the Granite City School Board unanimously approved its new gang policy to include students with excessive dyed hair and body piercing. According to the board, the body statements may represent hate groups, terrorist organizations or be in the form of gang-related uniforms. Students violating the policy can face a suspension, stemming from one to 10 days, with the possibility of being expelled.

"We have been studying the policy since March," said Superintendent of Granite City School District Steve Bales. "It's another step to maintain order and make our schools safer."

Students can be suspended as well if they try to claim a section of the building as their territory, have their peers instigate violence or intimidate classmates or staff. The new policy, Bales said, is the result of the tragic shooting that occurred in Littleton, Colo.

Bales said the policy will not only include dyed hair and excessive make-up and body piercing, but also swastikas, trench coats and gang tattoos. Gang hair cuts, shaved heads and red, blue, green and other loud hair colors will be part of it.

Sherron Zeona, 16, a junior at Granite City High School, said the board's decision won't affect her, but it may affect some of her friends. "I don't think they'll like it too much," she said.

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Feasibility study set on new YMCA plan

Corporate leaders to be interviewed

By Mike Heil
Staff Writer

Will businesses and individuals in the Tri-City area be financially supportive of a new Tri-City YMCA that the board of directors hope will be built in the north end of town?

According to Executive Director of Tri-City YMCA Richard Wittmann, the directors will find out in about six weeks because they have entered into an agreement with Holmes, Radford and Avalon, a fund-raising consulting firm, to conduct a planning and feasibility study. It will determine, Wittmann said, what

level of interest people and management have.

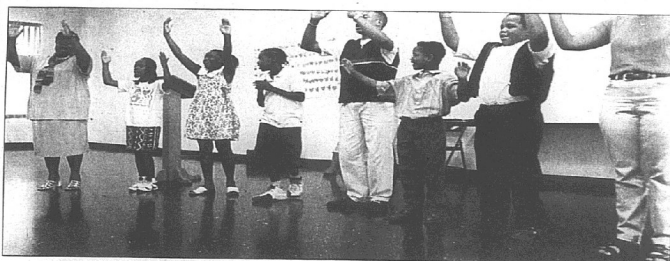
"I'm optimistic," he said. "I can only hope this will be receptive by the powers to be."

As part of the study, from 40 to 45 corporate leaders will be interviewed, as well as those from foundation sources. In addition, people having financial capabilities will also part of the interviewing process. If the directors receive positive feedback around the second week of September the next step, Wittmann said, would be for them to entertain thoughts about a capital campaign.

"If we get the support and the climate is right, we could go ahead with the plans," Wittmann said.

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Summer Extravaganza



Tim Stephenson photo

Venice Academic Achievement Center held its Summer '99 Extravaganza on Thursday. Members of the 4th grade chorus performing are, from left, Toni Towns, Alexis Robinson, Chermeika Gardener, Richard Davis, Craig Edwards, Andre Silas, Delaney Brown and Kira Hudson.

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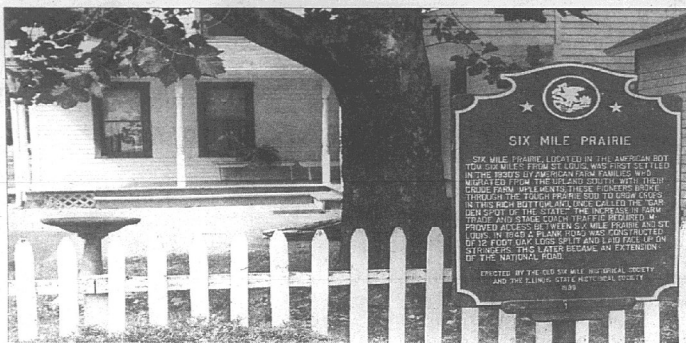
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The Old Six Mile Museum at 3729 Maryville Road.

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Six Mile Museum seeking volunteers

Many of original members have died

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

The Old Six Mile Historical Society was formed in 1981 to preserve the historical tradition of the area.

But today, many of the original members have died, and finding volunteers is becoming more and more difficult.

"Our membership is getting up in age, and our membership is getting smaller, so it's hard for us to find people to do the things that need to be done," said Society President Irene Dawes.

The society operates the Old Six Mile Museum, located at 3729 Maryville Road. The museum is normally open on Sunday afternoons, but because of a lack of volunteers, even that is not always the case.

"We used to be able to say every Sunday from 1-4 p.m. from May to December," Dawes said. "One of our

problems is getting people to be there as greeters.

"Our members are getting old," she said. "They're not able to do the physical work."

The society started with 125 members in 1981. About 50 of those have died, most of the remaining members are elderly, and few new members have joined.

"That's our problem," Dawes said. "It seems the young are either too busy or have no interest."

"That's our problem," Dawes said. "It seems the young are either too busy or have no interest."

"The museum is a funny place," she added. "There are not too many people who really have roots here."

She said most of the development in the area occurred around the 1920s when the steel industry expanded and attracted people to the area. The museum was purchased from the Zippel family in 1984.

It had originally been built in 1837 by William Emert, who migrated to this area from Tennessee in a covered wagon when he was 5.

The museum's name came from Six Mile Township, part of the original Madison County of the Illinois Territory, which stretched from the Wabash River to the Mississippi River, and St. Clair County in the south to the Canadian border.

The township was named because it was six miles from the Mississippi River. The museum includes numerous rooms decorated with artifacts from Granite City families.

For information about volunteering, call Dawes at 931-4243 or Georgia Engelke at 931-3023.

Annexation plan angers residents

Mayor says committee will study plan

By Michael Heil
Staff writer

People in Nameoki Township have been hearing rumors for a month about land in the township being forcibly annexed into Granite City.

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"Irate" and "angry" are two adjectives that describe the feelings of some of those people.

"I'm very upset about the whole situation. The city wants to come in here and annex and raise our taxes without informing us," said Monte Kessler, an Ivy Lane resident who could be annexed into Granite City. "I wonder how city officials would feel if the shoe was on the other foot."

Because the area is wholly encompassed by the city and is less than 60 acres, the city will have little difficulty annexing it. If public notice is given and

Hospital names medical director

Jeffrey Arendell, D.O., has been named medical director of Emergency Services at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He joined the Emergency Services staff in 1994.

Arendell replaces Steve Barr, D.O., who relocated to North Carolina after serving as Emergency Services medical director for 14 years.

the council passes an ordinance, about 200 homes will be affected. Most live off Maryville Road and are located on Stratford Lane, Westmoreland and Cambridge drives, Buenger Boulevard and Village and Ivy lanes.

People in those areas will see a change in street and sewer services, as well as an increase in taxes. Homes in the subdivisions are valued at about \$75,000, give or take \$5,000. Residents will pay an increase of about 3.9 percent in taxes, or about \$263 a year in Granite City corporate taxes. They are now paying about \$127 in bridge and township taxes, according to Nameoki Township Supervisor Ken Davis.

At the request of residents, Davis said he plans to help them fight annexation. The township cannot spend funds

on such an action, he said, because its boundaries will not change.

However, the Township Board meeting is considering legal action because annexation will interfere with tax dollars used to maintain streets and roads.

"We will do what it takes," Davis said. "Right is right and wrong is wrong. This is wrong."

Davis may not have to act. Granite City Mayor Ron Selph said the city isn't sure what action will be taken. The annexation committee, he said, will look at the issue in detail before anything is done.

If an ordinance is proposed, Seventh Ward Alderman Bob Cook said he won't vote in favor.

"If they don't want to come into the city, I can't see forcing them into it," Cook said.

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Bus ridership shows 12 percent increase

Transit district says 1.8 million rode buses last year

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

Ridership with the Madison County Transit District continued its upward growth, reaching slightly more than 1.8 million riders last year.

That is an increase of 12.1 percent over the previous year, which runs from July 1 to June 30.

MCT

MCT officials talked about the previous year's performance at Thursday's Board meeting.

The district's ridership made up of fixed route, regular bus service, and the district's paratransit, door-to-door service.

Total annual ridership for the 1999 budget year was 1,809,328, an increase of almost 200,000.

Paratransit ridership dropped to 109,177 from 118,885.

However, district officials said that is a good sign because some of the paratransit riders are switching over to the less-expensive fixed-

route service.

Fixed route service grew by 205,000.

Todd Plesko, director of operations for MCT, said much of the most recent growth in fixed-route services has come from the district's absorption of Bi-

State Development Agency bus routes. MCT now provides almost all bus service in the county, except some night, weekend and special services.

Because of that, Plesko said future growth will probably not be as dramatic.

"Growth in ridership has tapered off," he said. "Increases will not be as large in the future."

However, he added that all the district's routes have shown growth, and should continue to do so, especially with the addition of transfer centers throughout the county.

RideFinders Coordinator Jane Smith said they have seen steady growth in the number of car pools and riders, while van pool numbers fluctuate more.

She noted that for June, van pool ridership was off about 6.8 percent, to 17,380 from 18,650 the previous year. Smith said that was because last year construction on the Blanchette Bridge attracted a large number of van poolers, who have since gone back to driving alone or joined car pools.

She said the largest increases for the RideFinders program is in the number of employee transportation coordinators, who promote car and van pooling in their workplaces. The number of ETC's has increased 28.6 percent in the past year, to 220 from 171.

In other business, MCT Managing Director Jerry Kane said that work at the Edwardsville Transfer Center has slowed because of a shortage of skilled labor.

The MCT Board also elected officers for the coming year. Elected were Ron Selph, chairman, Bogel Redmon, vice chairman, and Daniel Corbett, secretary/treasurer.

Horse riders seek space on county's bicycle trails

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

Requests for more Sunday service on its door-to-door routes and that it find a way to accommodate horse riders on its bicycle trails was heard at Thursday's Madison County Transit District Board meeting.

No action was taken on either request. Judy O'Malley of the Riverbend Chapter of People First, an advocacy group, asked that the district add more service for its door-to-door program.

She asked for expanded Sunday service so people could attend church, that night operations be expanded, and that the district make a rules booklet available.

Denise Maxwell of rural Edwardsville asked that MCT reconsider its policy of allowing horses on bike trails.

She said that the district has been

"unconcerned and hostile" to horse owners.

After the meeting, she noted that according to state law, horses have the same right-of-way on most roads as vehicles and bicyclists, but that riders must stay to the right, usually either gravel or the grass "fringe," and that the district's bicycle trails do not allow this.

MCT Managing Director Jerry Kane said after the meeting that the district's trails were not designed for equestrian use.

The primary reason for excluding horses from the trails was safety. He noted that many of the pedestrians and bicyclist using the trails had small children, and that in any conflict between a bicycle rider and horse "the horse would win."

He also said that the horses' hooves could damage the trails, especially in hot weather.

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Even legislators have their good side

On issues they have personal stake in, their feelings show

It's way too easy to be cynical about politicians. They seem to obfuscate on just about everything, sop up gobs of special interest money, and hog credit for things that had little, if anything, to do with them. Like I need to tell you any of this.

There's another side to most of them that the general public rarely sees, however, because voters have so little direct contact with the people they elect.

Now, I'm not here to ask you to forgive them for their sins. It's a very American thing only to rarely pat our elected leaders on the back that sappy stuff only encourages them and gives them the big head. Public kicks in the rear are reminders that they're supposed to be reporting to us, even if it doesn't always work.

But I've found over the years that one of the most interesting things about covering the Illinois Statehouse is watching legislators who have a personal stake in an issue.

I'm not talking about a financial stake. I mean an issue that has affected their lives.

Several years ago, state Rep. Myron Kulas' mother became ill, and he spent weeks after week dealing with her healthcare situation. Kulas said he realized eventually that if he had a regular 8-to-4 job there'd be no way his boss would allow him to take off so



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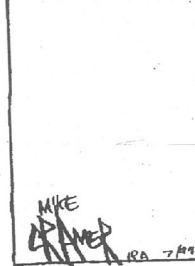
much time from work. So, he became very active in pushing the Family and Medical Leave legislation.

I remember a labor lobbyist telling me at the time that Kulas was a fabulous ally. He worked hard, and he told his all-too-real story to legislators who either leaned against the bill or couldn't make up their minds. He wasn't driven by campaign contributions. He got it into his head that this was the right thing to do and he didn't let anything get in his way.

Rep. Sara Feigenholtz (D-Chicago) has known all of her life that she was adopted. She never knew her biological parents, but when she reached late 20s, she considered starting a family and wanted to know if she had any genetic problems that could be passed on to her children.

Finding a biological parent is not an easy thing in Illinois. State laws frustrated her at every turn. Feigenholtz's jour-

LEGISLATION OFTEN GETS KILLED WHEN SPECIAL INTERESTS DRIVE THE BILLS BUT POLITICIANS GET PUMPED (AND HATE TO SEE THEIR BILLS DUMPED) WHEN THEIR INTEREST IS NOT "SPECIAL" BUT REAL



ney showed her that there were other people like herself who needed help. She discovered that a black market had developed in adoption records, making criminals out of people who just wanted to know where they're from or what happened to their children. Feigenholtz immediately ran into a wall of ignorance and fear. "Why would you ever want to find your biological parents?" one legislator asked her, as if the whole idea was just too silly for words. Several members of the General Assembly have adopted children, and they worried

about biological parents barging into their kids' lives, demanding rights they had relinquished when they signed the adoption papers.

Feigenholtz finally managed to pass a bill this spring that opened the process up a bit, although she admits it was mostly symbolic.

She's decided to take a break from the issue for a while, though, wisely realizing that you can only push things so much in the legislature before everyone starts rolling their eyes whenever you open your mouth.

But she also said that she

feels she has achieved something even more important than passing her bill. She said she believes she has educated the legislature about the entire issue. Nobody will ask her again why she would ever want to meet her biological mother. The next legislator who introduces an adoption rights bill will have a much easier time of it.

Feigenholtz will probably get a few campaign contributions because of her efforts. But that's not why she took up this issue. She was doing what a citizen legislator is supposed to do — pass legislation to fix

problems they have encountered in their lives outside of Springfield. You'd be surprised at how much of this goes on at the Statehouse. But maybe we should just keep it to ourselves. After all, we wouldn't want it to go to their heads.

Rich Miller also publishes *Capitol Fax*, a statewide political newsletter. The preceding column, provided by the Illinois Press Association, does not necessarily reflect the opinions of the association or this newspaper.

IRS promises kinder, gentler approach

By Robert Brazzil

The new IRS mission: "Provide America's taxpayers top quality service by helping them understand and meet their tax responsibilities and by applying the tax law with integrity and fairness to all."

This month I would like to explain your rights concerning paying your federal taxes. But, first, if you have not filed your federal tax return because you can't pay, I urge you to file immediately. This is because the failure to file penalty is 5 percent for each month or portion of a month that return is late, up to a maximum of 25 percent. This penalty is based on the amount of unpaid taxes. The failure to file penalty is 10 times greater than the failure to pay penalty.

If you filed and didn't pay, you'll receive a bill from the IRS. In addition to tax owed, you'll have to pay interest and possible penalties.

The interest and penalties continue to accrue on the unpaid balance and

it is usually to your advantage to borrow, if possible, to pay your tax bill. The current interest rate is 8 percent a year, compounded daily.

In addition, there is an additional failure to pay penalty of 1/2 of 1 percent per month or part of a month on the amount of unpaid taxes.

New rules, which took effect January 19, guarantee a taxpayer's right to due process when facing an enforcement action by the IRS.

These new protections form part of a sweeping set of taxpayer rights, many of which started last year following the enactment of the IRS Restructuring and Reform Act of 1998.

Safeguarding taxpayer rights is something we take very seriously. These new protections represent another step in our effort to assist taxpayers.

These provisions on collection actions give taxpayers the right to request an administrative hearing before an impartial appeals officer within 30 days after a notice of lien

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New IRS mission

has been filed or a notice of intent to levy has been sent.

In addition, we will provide the taxpayer with a written notification about his appeal rights.

If the taxpayer requests a hearing during this period, the proposed levy may not take place until after the appeals officer makes a finding.

The taxpayer also has 30 days to decide whether to challenge the appeals finding in U.S. Tax Court or U.S. District Court. We cannot levy the taxpayer's property during that time.

During the process, the taxpayer may also request that the IRS consider collection alternatives, such as an installment agreement, or offer in compromise, to pay off the tax bill. I will discuss these methods in detail next month.

The important thing to remember is if you get a notice from us, do not

ignore it.

If it is wrong, let us know. If it is correct and you are unable to raise the money, talk to us, we will try to work with you.

We have two publications, which you may find useful. These are Publication 1, "Your Rights as a Taxpayer," and Publication 594, "The IRS Collection Process." Both are also available in Spanish (simply add the letter "S" when ordering).

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You can also pick them up at your nearest IRS office or download them from our web site at <http://www.irs.ustreas.gov>.

(Robert Brazzil is a district director for the IRS)

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St. Louis is in the process of starting a basketball team, based at the new sports complex in St. Charles. Do you think you will support this sport?



Jim Wells, 61
Retired
"Pro sports used to be a family affair, but has priced themselves out of reach for most families. No I will not go to the games."



Lynn Knott, 46
Waitress
"Yes, I think it is a good idea. My husband is a sports nut and I'm sure he will like it. Keep up the good work."



Chris McDonald, 15
Student
"Yes, I will go, any kind of sport is great. Of course football is my game. Hey maybe we will have a team as good as the Bulls someday!"



Donita McDonald, 33
Homemaker
"Yes, I think everyone interested in sports should support our professional teams. They provide a lot of additional revenue to the community, and bring a diverse community together in localized team sports."



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Meeting may decide future of local bridge

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one else, they will withdraw from the rehabilitation project," Fields said.
That would lead to a canceling of the project. Without the renovation, Fields and other city officials have said the bridge deck on the western side would fall within 3-5 years.
IDOT does not want to work on a project in Missouri

that is at that point owned by Missouri interests.
But Fields also pointed out that if normal maintenance is not done, the bridge would probably close within a few months.
"We're spending probably \$30,000 per month in that area, and it's just ongoing repairs that do not much more than keep it open until the big project comes into place," he

said. "If we stop doing maintenance because of loss of ownership, and the subsequent owner doesn't follow the kind with repairs, we could see the bridge closed much, much, much sooner."
Taxes on the bridge are about \$80,000 per year. Fields said that in 1994 the city stopped paying the taxes because it needed the money for a \$7.5 million renovation on the eastern side of the bridge. The city later challenged the taxes in Missouri court, but lost.

Venice Mayor Tyrone Echols said Thursday that he was waiting for a call from U.S. Rep. Jerry Costello's office. Costello, D-Belleville, helped secure federal funding for the planned bridge renovation.
Echols said he has also heard that St. Louis officials may be considering finding a way to settle the situation, but

has heard nothing official.
"It seems like they're making a little movement over there," he said.
He said the sale of the bridge is something "nobody wants to happen."
"It's not going to help anybody and its going to hurt everybody," he said.
"It's just a wait-see thing. I can't come up with the money," he said.
However, St. Louis city officials said Friday that a meeting was planned for some time this week to discuss the situation.
Tom Villa, director of intergovernmental relations for the city of St. Louis, said Friday that Costello called Mayor Clarence Harmon Thursday afternoon.
"At which point the mayor instructed me to get a meeting," he said.
"Sometime next week. I don't really know when that's

going to be."
He said the city is not really interested in the bridge, but wants the tax revenue.
"I don't think there's a big market for one (bridge)," he said. "I think I can safely say that the city of St. Louis doesn't want to inherit a bridge that needs a tremendous amount of money spent on it. What we really would like is the \$800,000 in back taxes."
The potential sale of the bridge is just the latest in a series of financial setbacks for the city.

"I think a cat crossed our path or somebody broke a mirror," Echols said.
Last October, the city defaulted on about \$4 million in bonds on the bridge. Shareholders agreed to a restructuring of the debt that tripled the interest to 6 percent from 2 percent, but it is unlikely that the bridge will generate enough traffic to pay the increased interest, let alone pay off the bonds or make additional repairs.

The city also commissioned a traffic study on the bridge to see if it could afford a loan that would pay off the present debt, as well as allow another \$10 million in renovations.

However, Echols said that study showed there is no way the bridge traffic could support the additional debt, especially in light of the proposed new Mississippi River bridge, which would be located about one mile south of the McKinley Bridge.

The city has faced other financial and image problems this year.

In the spring, Echols said a major reduction of the city's tax base could force it to severely cut services or dissolve.

The assessed value of the city's AmerenUE Venice power plant was reduced to \$1 million from \$6 million, after company officials realized the plant had been assessed improperly. That cut the city's

tax base by about one-third.
The city did receive at least a short reprieve when the company agreed to pay more than \$140,000 over a two-year period for an easement on the McKinley Bridge.

The city also received a negative multiplier, cutting its tax revenue by another 10 percent.

The city has also received a great deal of publicity over problems in the Venice School District, where the School Board recently took action to oust Superintendent James Doughty.

It was recently reported that more than 130 of the district's students — at least one-third — were nonresidents, and the district would receive less in state aid, and pay back up to \$1.1 million in aid.

That issue remains unresolved.

Value of bridge is questioned

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"We think it's highly unlikely anybody will bid on it," Fields added.

If someone does, or if the property is not sold and goes to the city of St. Louis' Land Reutilization Authority, the new owner will have to perform about \$30,000 in monthly repairs and upkeep on the western portion of the bridge to keep it functional.

Without that regular maintenance, Fields said, it is very likely that the bridge would have to be closed within a few months.

He said they are still looking into whether Venice could even perform maintenance on the west side of the bridge, but Mayor Tyrone Echols said this is very unlikely.

There is also a question of the bridge's debt. Venice recently restructured \$4 million in bond debt on the bridge after defaulting on the bonds last year. Both Fields and Echols question whether the new owner would have to assume part of that debt.

"We don't know the answer to that ourselves," Fields said. "This is one of those areas where nobody seems to know the answer."

Regardless of who the new owner would be, Echols said that as long as the bridge remains functional, he would keep the toll booth operating at the Illinois side.

Dyed hair may cost students

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said. "They have some funky hairstyles and crazy-looking tattoos that the district may think isn't too appropriate."

Sandy Wilson, whose 17-year-old daughter attends the high school, said she agrees with the board.

"They must protect the kids any way they deem is correct," she said. "I can't imagine hearing about another tragedy at any high school which could be avoided."

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August, with its famous "dog days," has a tendency to lessen the activity in the garden somewhat, but it shouldn't. Heat and humidity or not, things still need to be weeded and watered. That is, if you want your landscape and garden to be healthy and look their best.

During the hottest part of the summer, however, play it safe and don't overdo it. It's never a good idea to be out in the hot sun for too long. Your best bet: Try to perform gardening tasks in the morning or wait until the evening.

The moisture needs of your plants must be given special attention. As we've said before, an inch of water a week is what most need, lawns included.

Whenever possible, apply a mulch of some sort. If you cannot, at least cultivate the soil surface. It becomes more difficult for water to soak into the soil if a crust is allowed to form on the surface.

As plants become taller or top-heavy, stake them to prevent possible wind damage.

Don't allow annuals and roses to go to seed if you want them to continue blooming longer. When removing spent rose blooms, cut back to the first set of leaves that has five leaflets.

As vegetables mature, pick them so younger ones will develop and your overall yield will be greater.

If you planted melons and they're beginning to mature, place a piece of metal or wood under them to prevent wireworm injury or rot.

Plant late season crops now. Try beans, peas and radishes. They're fast growers that will be ready before the frost hits. Spinach and lettuce are also good because they'll be less likely to bolt when grown during cooler weather. The term "bolt" means to flower or produce seeds prematurely.

When the weather's hot, sow seeds deeper than you

would in the spring. Also, keep a close watch for insects, which are firmly entrenched now and would love to gorge on a nice tender seedling.

Sow annual ryegrass in garden beds that become vacant and will not be used until next year. The grass will prevent nutrients from being leached out of the soil, add humus, and will improve the soil's texture.

As early apples begin to ripen, pick ones from the top of the tree first. These will be ready before the fruit on lower branches. Pick early varieties before they become fully ripe, since they do not store as well, nor will they last as long on the tree after they're ripe.

If you haven't given your lawn mower a once-over since you first hauled it out last spring, now's a good time. There are many more mowings before putting it away. The blade could definitely stand to be sharpened and balanced. Dull mower blades rip the grass; sharp ones slice it cleanly. An out-of-balance blade can cause your mower to behave like a jackhammer.

Take photos of your landscape. Make notes of any changes you wish to make. If you have access to a scanner and computer with a photo program, it's a fabulous way to plan, design and make changes to a landscape. Even if you don't have the computer, the photos will help you visualize what will look good where.

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OBITUARIES

James Redman

JAMES REDMAN, 68, of Benton, Ky., formerly of Madison, died at 4:31 p.m. Friday, July 23, 1999, at Western Baptist Hospital in Paducah, Ky.

Mr. Redman was a U.S. Army veteran and a member and trustee of Sharpe's.

He is survived by his wife, Demetria Ann Westerfield; his mother, Jessie Ellis Morley of Porterville, Calif.; his step-mother, Della Redman of Piggot, Ark.; two daughters, Carla Carol of Granite City, and Janet Schenk of Ironton, Mo.; three sons, Dennis Redman of Benton, Ky., James C. Redman of Paducah, Ky., and Michael Redman of Madison; a half-sister, Annie Morley of Porterville, Calif.; three half-brothers, Howard Redman of Lakeland, Fla., Terry Redman of Piggot, Ark., and Mike Morley of Porterville, Calif.; 14 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father, James Clovis Redman and a half-sister.

Funeral services were Monday, July 26, at Collier Funeral

Home with the Rev. Jeremy Short officiating. Burial was in Fooks Cemetery.

Molly Kirksey

MOLLY C. KIRKSEY, 16, of Granite City, died Thursday, July 29, 1999, at St. Louis Children's Hospital.

She was born May 6, 1983, in Belleville. Miss Kirksey attended Montessori School in Godfrey and loved country music.

She is survived by her parents, Robert D. and Kathleen A. (Clifford) Kirksey; her maternal grandmother, Marian (Carthy) Clifford of Belleville, and her paternal grandparents, Oliver C. and Sallie (Milton) Kirksey of Granite City.

She was preceded in death by her maternal grandfather, John D. Clifford.

Visitation will be from 4 to 9 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 1, at John Barnes Funeral Home in Belleville. There will be a Vigil Service at 6 p.m. on Sunday at the funeral home. Funeral procession will leave the funeral home at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Aug. 2 to Blessed Sacrament Church for a mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. with the Rev. Marvin Volk officiating. Burial will follow in Mt. Carmel Catholic Cemetery in Belleville.

Memorials may be made to St. Louis Children's Hospital Cardiology Department.

Lee Abernathy

LEE P. ABERNATHY, 84, of Mitchell, died at 10:25 a.m. Friday, July 30, 1999 at his residence.

He was born May 2, 1915, in Chatsworth, Mo. Abernathy was owner and operator of Lee and Andy's Auto Body in Madison, retiring in 1984, after 31 years. He was a member of Masonic Lodge 835, Lions, Elks, Eagles and Ainsd Shrine Temple.

He is survived by his wife, Genevieve (Black) Abernathy; two daughters, Mary Rogenski and Jeanette Holder, both of Granite City; a son Mike Abernathy of Coppel, Texas; a brother, Orville Abernathy of Lukesville, Mo.; six grandchildren; four great-grandchildren, and very good friend, Andy Economy of Madison.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Peter and Clara (Shelton) Abernathy, and four brothers, P.M., Homer, Silas and Donald Abernathy.

Visitation will be from 5 to 8

p.m. Sunday, Aug. 1, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Mildred Bell

MILDRED L. "MILLIE" (HOOD-SHIRE) BELL, 75, of Granite City, died at 7:02 p.m. Thursday, July 29, 1999.

She was born Aug. 3, 1923, in Granite City. Mrs. Bell was an inspector for the Nestle Corporation in Granite City for 15 years, retiring in 1976. She is of the Protestant faith.

She is survived by two sons, Randall Bell of Carlinville, and Robert Bell of Edwardsville; a daughter, Shirley (Bell) Star of Granite City; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harry R. Bell; her parents, James Oscar and Elizabeth "Bessie" (Shatzer) Hodshire; a brother, James "Bud" Hodshire, and two sisters, Irma Bera and Dorothy Israel.

Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m. today, Aug. 1, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Aug. 2, at the chapel, with the Rev. Bill Davidson officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Edwardsville.

Stephanie Kowalski

STEPHANIE (STOYANOFF) KOWALSKI, 85, of Highland Park, formerly of Madison, died Thursday, July 19, 1999.

She was born Jan. 7, 1914, in Madison. Mrs. Kowalski worked for International Shoe Company and was a cook for the Madison Public School District. She was a member of St. Mary's Church in Madison and the Madison Library Board.

She is survived by two daughters, Leona Laouras of Highland Park, and Mary Kowalski of Madison; a sister, Ruth Stoyanoff of Madison, and a granddaughter, Stephanie Laouras of Highland Park.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Edward J. Kowalski, and a sister, Mary Dulatt.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 3, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 4, at St. Mary's Church in Madison. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in Edwardsville.

BABY MOORE, infant child of

Richard and Jane Moore of Granite City, died Tuesday, July 27, 1999, at St. Mary's Hospital in St. Louis. Surviving are parents, Richard and Jane (Kraus) Moore; maternal grandparents, Frank and JoAnne Kraus of O'Fallon, Ill.; two uncles and one aunt.

Preceded in death by paternal grandparents.

Graveside services were Friday, July 30, at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Edwardsville with Joseph Larsen officiating. Irwin Chapel in Granite City handled the arrangements.

Joan Vinson

JOAN MAE (ANGLE) (STEPHENS) VINSON, of Charleston, Mo., died at 7:30 a.m. Thursday, July 29, 1999.

She was born May 17, 1941, in Granite City. Mrs. Vinson was a member of Alpha and Omega Christian Fellowship.

She is survived by four sons: William Jr., Mark, Jimmy and Darrin Stephens, all of Collinsville; a daughter, Rhonda Futrell of Collinsville; a stepson, Rusty Vinson of Bloomington; two stepdaughters, Ginger Gammons of Sikeston, Mo., and Angie Vinson of Dubuque, Iowa; four sisters: Gladys Flowers of Waverly, Tenn., Darlene Kombrink of Glen Carbon, Arline White of Granite City, and June Del of Mayfield, Ky.; three brothers: Gerald, Ronald and Orville Angle, all of Granite City; 10 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph Vinson; her parents, Ellis and Leona (Padgett) Angle Sr.; a sister, Shirley Willis; and two brothers, Earl Angle and Ellis Angle Jr.

Funeral services were held Saturday, July 31, at Herr Funeral Home in Collinsville with the Rev. Ron Habermehl officiating. Burial was in I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Charleston, Mo.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Madison County.

ESTHER L. (REYNOLDS) EGGLY, 79, of Granite City, died at

1999, at Missouri Baptist Medical Center in St. Louis.

She was born March 10, 1920, in Carrollton. Mrs. Eggle was a homemaker and member of Jehovah's Witness faith.

She is survived by two daughters, Linda Eggle of Madison, and Donna Mladky of St. Charles, Mo.; a son, Edward Eggle of Blue Ridge Mountain, Ga.; four sisters: Mary Flgge of Alton, Wilma McGowen of Hardin, Thelma Miller of Littleton, Colo., and Charlotte Baglin of Troy; two brothers, Paul Reynolds of Collinsville, and Larry Reynolds of Edwardsville; seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Chester Eggle; her parents, Lloyd and Lydia (Chapman) Reynolds Sr.; three sisters and one brother.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 2, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 3, at the chapel with the Rev. Fete Bruno officiating. Burial will

Vera Mang

VERA M. (HARIZAL) MANG, 80, of Granite City, died at 3:25 a.m. Thursday, July 29, 1999, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

She was born May 3, 1919, in Madison. Mrs. Mang was a homemaker and member of Holy Family Catholic Church in Granite City.

She is survived by her husband, Bernard Mang, whom she married on Oct. 5, 1946; three daughters, Sharon Minner of Wichita, Kan., Gloria Bonnell of St. Louis and Bev Carlson of Temecula, Calif.; three sons, Jim and Ron Mang, both of Granite City, and Tom Mang of Godfrey; one sister, Mary West of East St. Louis; three brothers, John, Bill and Andy Harizal, all of Granite City; and four grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Andrew and Ella Harizal.

Funeral services were held Saturday, July 30, at Holy Family Catholic Church, with the Rev. Bill Fisherkeller officiating. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Edwardsville.

Irwin Chapel in Granite City handled the arrangements.

Memorials may be made in the form of masses.

Bar owners charged with gambling

By Val McDowell

Staff writer

Four owners of two bars in Collinsville were charged with keeping a gambling place by a Madison County jury in Edwardsville Thursday.

The four individuals charged with the Class-A misdemeanor include Lonnie E. Dougherty, 62, owner of Drift Inn at 306 East Main St., and his son, John Dougherty, 25.

Also indicted were John F. Burns Jr., 39, and his wife, Teresa Burns, 39, owners of Norm's Sports Bar, 312 East Main Street.

Circuit Judge Edward C. Ferguson set bail for all four at \$2,500, and each paid \$250 bond following Thursday's indictment.

Court dates for all four have been set at Aug. 11 at 1 p.m., room 103 of the Madison County Court House.

According to the indictment, the bar gambling winnings were paid to an undercover Collinsville Police informant in June.

The indictments come more than a year after Collinsville police seized approximately 170 machines at various establishments across Madison and St. Clair Counties.

"We ran a gambling investigation based on some information that we were able to accumulate, and took it to the grand jury. They found it sufficient to place an indictment," Collinsville Police Chief Gerrit Gillespie said.

Dougherty had been charged May 29.

YMCA proposal to be studied

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would be built on a tract at 1620 Pontoon Wittmann said.

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According to John Papa, local attorney and chairman of the board of directors, the building would be completely compatible to the surrounding area.

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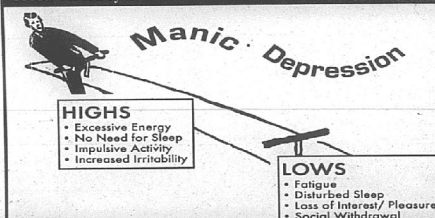
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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Keep all lines of communication open today and be sure to check your phone service from time to time. Important news for which you've been hoping

could be forthcoming.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Be a good observer today, because a valuable lesson can be learned through how another handles an issue similar to one with which you have to contend.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Engage in discussions today with pragmatic friends who know how to deal with adversity. Their comments could greatly help you in handling a difficult situation.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Should you get any new ideas today that could further your ambitions or career aspira-

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tions, lay out the blueprint and act in harmony with them. They can be winners.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You are very strong of mind, but today you may need both the physical and mind busters to make your body and spirit soar. You should come out on top today!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Share with others any constructive criticism you have which you feel could enhance the entire household. Chances are the clan will not only be receptive, but pleased as well.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Because your focus will be placed on pleasing those with whom you'll be involved today, you'll be an exceptionally nice

person to be around.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) There are a lot of ways you can economize. The one that will interest you the most, however, will be seeing what you can mend yourself instead of hiring outside help or buying a new one.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) This is not a day to go off by yourself or wither on the vine. As time wears on, you'll get more and more gregarious and in need of social company.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You're a good listener and an even better confidant. Someone in need of ventilating may ask

for your ear concerning a very confidential issue. Be there for this person.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Make the most of any break that comes your way today, no matter how small they are. Opportunities which may appear minimal could have significance.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you get the chance, now is the time to advance your ambitions, because today you'll have the added ability of being able to outthink others in ways that could serve your purposes.

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Lake Placid (R) 1:20, 3:30, 7:15, 9:15
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Inspector Gadget (PG-13) 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:20, 9:25
Runaway Bride (PG) 1:30, 4:00, 7:00, 9:20

EASTGATE CINE
Eastgate Plaza, E. Alton, 254-5289
Inspector Gadget (PG) 2:15, 4:30, 6:30, 9:00
Runaway Bride (PG) 1:15, 4:00, 7:00, 9:20
The Wood (R) 2:00, 4:45, 8:00, 10:15
Muppets From Space (G) 2:30,

5:15
American Pie (R) 7:45, 10:10
The Haunting (PG-13) 1:45, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00
Deep Blue Sea (R) 1:30, 4:15, 7:15, 9:40

COTTONWOOD EDWARDSVILLE CINEMA
Edwardsville, 656-6390
Wild Wild West (PG-13) 2:15, 7:00
Notting Hill (PG-13) 2:30, 7:15
Tarzan (G) 2:00, 6:45

LINCOLN THEATER
103 E. Main, Belleville, Ill., 233-0123
Matrix (R) 7:00, 9:40
Pushing Tin (R) 7:10, 9:40
Entrapment (PG-13) 7:05
Life (R) 9:20

NAMEOKI CINEMA
30 Nameoki Village, 877-6630
American Pie (R) 2:30, 7:00, 9:15
Inspector Gadget (PG) 2:15, 6:45, 9:00

O'FALLON 15 CINE
1320 Central Park Dr., O'Fallon, 822-1800
Tarzan (G) 12:15, 2:15, 4:15, 7:15, 9:25

Drop Dead Gorgeous (PG-13) 12:00, 2:15, 4:30, 7:00, 9:15
American Pie (R) 11:30, 1:45, 4:00, 6:25, 8:45
Runaway Bride (PG) 11:00, 1:45, 4:15, 7:05, 9:30
Runaway Bride (PG) 12:00, 2:30, 5:15, 8:10
Big Daddy (PG-13) 12:00, 2:15, 4:30, 6:45, 9:10
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Star Wars (PG) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00
The General's Daughter (R) 12:30, 3:05, 5:40, 8:15
Notting Hill (PG-13) 1:15, 4:00, 7:05, 9:30
South Park (R) 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30

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Roxana, 877-6630
Big Daddy (PG-13) 2:30, 7:00
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Wild Wild West (PG-13) 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30
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Arlington Road (R) 8:15
Austin Powers 2 (PG-13) 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45

SHOWPLACE 12 EDWARDSVILLE
6632 Center Grove Road, 659-7469
Lake Placid (R) 12:30, 2:40, 5:15, 7:40, 10:15
Eyes Wide Shut (R) 1:00, 8:00
Iron Giant (PG) 3:50
Big Daddy (PG-13) 12:40, 2:50, 5:20, 7:45, 10:05
American Pie (R) 2:10, 5:05, 7:30, 9:45
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The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Agency or Illinois EPA) will hold a public hearing on the above subject on Thursday, August 12, 1999, at 10:00 a.m. at the City of Granite City, Illinois, 2300 Delmar Avenue, Granite City, Illinois. Copies of the Agency's Proposed Plan for Remedial Action and Remedial Alternatives for the Superfund Site are available for public review and comment at the hearing. Requests for specific needs interpreters must be made to the Agency hearing officer by August 12, 1999.
Purpose: The Illinois EPA proposes its final remedy to treat contaminated soil and groundwater on-site and remove remaining miscellaneous items that remain at the Jennison-Wright Superfund site located in Granite City, Illinois.
The Illinois EPA is soliciting written and oral public comments on the proposed final remedy. The minimum 30-day public comment period begins on July 30, 1999, and ends on August 29, 1999. The Proposed Plan identifies the cleanup alternatives and preferred options for this final remedy. The Proposed Plan and all of the alternatives for the final remedy and other related documents can be reviewed at the following location:
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Before determining the final remedy, the Agency will consider written and oral comments on the proposed alternatives. The final Agency decision will include a summary of the comments received and Agency responses.

ILLINOIS EPA Preferred Alternatives
The preferred alternative consists of treating contaminated soils on-site in a biological landfarm system with concentrated groundwater. The groundwater will be treated with an in situ oxygen releasing compound and an aeration system. All remaining miscellaneous items and hazardous waste will be demolished and removed from the site. Based on information available at this time, Illinois EPA and US EPA believe that the preferred alternative would be protective of human health and the environment, be cost effective, and would utilize permanent solutions and alternative treatment technologies or resource recovery technologies to the maximum extent practicable.
All of the alternatives analyzed for this site are presented in the Proposed Plan found in the Information Repository at the Granite City Library. Various alternatives for the following Operable Units are discussed in the document: Soils and Waste, Non-Aqueous - Phase Liquids, Groundwater, Buildings, and Miscellaneous. For specific and more detailed information for these five Operable Units, please review the Proposed Plan.
All written comments on the remedial alternatives in the Proposed Plan must be postmarked on or before August 19, 1999, and should be mailed to:
John Williams, Hearing Officer
Division of Legal Counsel
Illinois EPA
1021 North Grand Avenue East
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The Administrative Record containing any information which the Agency takes in the decisions when selecting the alternatives for the removal actions is also available at the Granite City Public Library on or before July 30, 1999.
Written comments need not be notarized.
Questions on the Proposed Plan may be addressed to:
Fred Nika, Remedial Project Manager
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I once heard a saying that children are God's apostles sent forth day by day to preach love, hope and joy.

Every child born into the world is a new and miraculous creation of God, an ever fresh and radiant possibility of an extraordinary, pure and lovely life.

Longfellow wrote, "That which the fountain sends forth returns to the fountain." A parent's job is of the utmost importance.

God is primarily a Father, and one of the most beautiful things in life is a wonderful, loving parent. Nothing can compare with a true parent's love, it is the nearest thing to divine love.

Give your children priceless gifts that not only will enrich their lives but also the lives of those with whom they come

into contact. Feed their little hearts with love, appreciation, beauty and courage, and they will grow to return these attributes to your life.

Children imitate their parents. Nourish their souls with happiness, and they will develop into joy-filled treasures.

The simplest moments are sometimes the most memorable. I can remember eating cereal in the kitchen with my mother for a midnight snack, her walking me to school every morning and her cheerful and happy "hells."

Baking holiday pies, watching her satisfaction in making something delicious, playing dress-up, and going grocery shopping together, but each of us having our own cart. These simple gestures provide lasting memories. The best things in life are indeed free.

A New You



Catherine Galasso

We need not provide our children with acres upon acres of materialistic comforts to make them happy. A safe, secure environment, your time, attention and genuine love for life can give our children treasures they will cherish and that will outlast the latest game or video craze.

Turn off the television and go on an adventure. Pack a picnic lunch and take the children to the park, let them feed the ducks, watch the little squirrels gather their food and lay it up for the winter. Take them to the zoo, the museum or the library.

Go on a nature walk where kids can collect things along the way. Afterward glue the items on colored paper and you'll have an original work of art to stick to the refrigerator, filling them with pride and joy.

Plant a tree or a garden with them and watch it grow and take on new life. This will teach them patience and give them encouragement to know that God is always developing them into bigger and better leaders of tomorrow.

"The beautiful weather

shows me that God's creation is truly awesome," reader Christine Palm wrote. "The miracle of the flowers blooming, the grass growing and the birds chirping brings this back to mind."

Teach children the importance of helping others. Bake homemade muffins or cookies together and take a basket of them to a shut-in or bring a bouquet of handpicked flowers to a neighbor.

Encourage children to share what they have. Such acts of generosity and kindness benefit the recipients, but they also have a great impact

on the givers.

When a child sees what a difference their efforts make in another's life, it builds in them the joy of living for others.

We, as adults, always have to interact with other people. Our whole life can be filled with the joy of giving and living.

If you have a child you can influence and shape, you have the opportunity to create a living sculpture, a work of art to pass on into the next generation, to bless the world with beauty, integrity and love.

Water suppliers see no shortage

By Barbara M. Cope
Staff writer

Several water providers in the Metro East say they are well prepared for the increased consumption they are seeing as a severe heat wave and drought continues to plague the area.

City and company officials said that although they encourage conservation, there is no threat of an immediate water shortage.

"We're in great shape," said Mike Lawton, operations superintendent for the Alton district of the Illinois-American Water Co. "We're doing about 70 percent capacity right now. We've had no heat-related problems other than employees getting hot."

Lawton said the plant can pump up to 18 million gallons of water each day. The current daily average is about 9.48 million gallons, while the peak day of the summer was Tuesday, when the plant provided 12.18 million gallons to consumers.

Tim Harr, assistant director of public works in Edwardsville, said water consumption in the county seat also is up, but he expects no foreseeable problems right now.

"Our wells are all deep wells that draw from aquifers. I don't think we're worrying about it yet, but the weekend

was pretty hard," Harr said. Strms passing through Monday and Tuesday helped to ease any concerns the men had, but by themselves, the showers were not enough to ensure a summer without shortages.

"There's always a need for conservation," Harr said. "It

mostly has to do with the duration of any drought we have. The rain we had this week will help, especially because people won't be trying to water their lawns as much."

The North East Central Public Water District, which serves 53 square miles of

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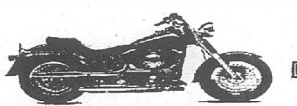
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The Granite City High School North Class of 1979 will hold their 30th anniversary reunion Aug. 21. There are still several classmates for whom organizers are still seeking information. If any information is known on these individuals, please contact Laurie Brown (Webb) at 692-4402 or Connie LaVelle at 931-8504.

The students are: Julie Adams, John Armour, Lavonne Austin, Melanie Barrett, Lorie Beckley, Cindy Bennett, Dennis Borror, Patricia Brandibas, Joseph Buckingham, Victoria Burgener, Cora Byrd, Bob Centers, Cindy Chrobak, Joyce Clinton, Carla Cooper, Mark Crawford, Brian Crow, Terry Cruse, Ronald Davis, Sheri Denton, Michael Doak, Patti Dunham, Susan Edwards, Tammy Evans, Rita Fields, Debbie Fleener, Charles Forsee, Sandy Fusselman, Jamie Garrison, Linda Geheber.

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Cynthia Roberson, Larry Robins, Jeffrey Senter, Tammy Evans, Rita Fields, Wallace, Michael Watson, Carmen White, Phillip White, Christine Wilkinson, David L. Williams.

Camping this year's Bible School theme

Vacation Bible School at Pontoon Baptist Church was a big hit.

MAXINE GREEN It was held the week of June 14 to 18 featuring the theme "Mount Extreme: Climbing to New Heights with Jesus." Each of the different classrooms was decorated with a camping and hiking theme. There were tents and campfires and trees. The music class was led by Mary Pascoe. The Bible School director was Laura Lee Falter. Many of the church members helped for that week, and, June 18, Family Night was a huge success, with about 100 people present. Special thanks go out to the parents who shared their children and to the wonderful workers: Virginia Ladd, Belinda and Yvonne Counts and Shirley White, Lisa Reeves, Kim Golden and Glenn and Dottie Falter, Susan Downs, Becky Davis and Debby Stayduhar, Sylvia Massman, Ruby Thomas, Vivian Bynum and Paula

Mitchell and the crafts lady, Donna Reeves.

The Granite City Pom-Pom squad held a successful car wash on July 10. More than 150 cars vans and trucks were washed. Many of the girls' parents were there to help, as well as their coach, Vanessa Matern. The girls send a special thank-you to Wendy's on Nameeki Road for their help and cooperation. A big thanks from squad members Kirstin and Tiffany Bernais, Lydia Bettorf, Megan Bilyeu, Ashley Bywater, Alyssa Chrusciel, Tina Evans, Meghan McKeehan, Teri Mendenhall, Lauren Miller, Lindsay Moore, Julie Scott, Jennifer Smiddy, Rachelle and Kara Wallace and Anna Welsler. The funds need your support, and they'll be having more fund-raisers to help raise the money for upcoming competitions.

Pontoon Beach Senior Citizens held their monthly

meeting July 20 at the Senior Citizens Hall.

President Earl Edmiston opened the meeting and led everyone in saying the Pledge of Allegiance. Reports of the last meeting were given and approved.

A sign-up sheet has been prepared to register for the trip to the visit Amish in Central Illinois in September.

Entertainment was by Norma Gordon, Elvis impersonator and lip-syncher. Dr. Larry Shipley will be guest speaker at the Aug. 17 meeting. He plans to tell the ways a chiropractor helps people.

Members present were Rose and Earl Edmiston, Ruth Dagon, Jim Hill, Carol Knight, Gerie Ashford, Irene McCaslin, Charles Raub, Virginia Brasfield, Charles Knight, Helen Chis to tell, Janet Martin, Ruby Wood, Edna Bennett, Shirley Craft, Mary Mize, Robbie Wilson, Marie Benson, John and Millie Forrest, Pat Wallis, Helen Hutton, Ely Major and Gladys Bass.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard (Doris) Lathrop of Pine Street had as dinner guests recently Mr. and Mrs. Charlie (Kathy) Williams and son and Mr. and Mrs. Al (Patty) Stevens and sons, Chris and Matt. The occasion was the birthday of Patty Stevens, daughter of Doris and Howard Lathrop.

A 40th birthday party was held July 17 for Kim (Chastain) Justice at Sharkey's in Maryville. Dinner and birthday cake were served and gag gifts were presented to the guest of honor.

Those in attendance, beside the honoree, were Kim's husband Britt Justice, parents Bess and Frank Pugh, brother Brian Chastain, his wife Deanna (Blaylock) Chastain and her husband, David Moore.

Maxine Green covers the social scene for the Granite City Press-Record. If you have an item for her column, please contact Maxine at 931-6256.

Milestones

Aug. 1
Kristi Ross turns 20
Kristin Martin turns 16
Frank Bennett turns 32
Jenna Ann Davis turns 3
Kristin Nicole Turnall turns 3

Aug. 2
David Cox turns 41
Heather Lynn Dover turns 11
Harold Love turns 30
Sheila Ryan turns 34

Also celebrating a birthday: Waymon Hatch
Celebrating an anniversary: Rich and Brenda Gibson, 24 years
Aug. 3
Kenny Clark turns 43
Tony Martin turns 45
Lindin Townsend turns 61
Jon Favier turns 43
Ed Duckett turns 60
Michael Alexander Duckett turns 6
Also celebrating birthdays: Judy Hor-



The Clark Avenue Church of Christ welcomes Gordon Jantz, as Minister, and his wife Carol to Granite City. Gordon comes to us after nearly 29 years in the Air Force, moving and traveling around the world and preaching where the Lord gave him opportunity. They both have a sincere and genuine love for God's work and are uniquely qualified to minister to the spiritual needs of our congregation and the community. God's power is manifested through Gordon's ability to touch people's hearts by guiding them according to God's Will to do good works and worship God in spirit and truth. We invite you to join us in our wonderful spiritual journey with Gordon and Carol.

ton, Beverly Chambers, Debbie Bauer, and Kristin Callison
Celebrating an anniversary: Dave and Joyce Davis, 36 years
Aug. 4
Tyler Rujawitz turns 7
Tyler "Ty" Christopoulos turns 10
Kayla Boyer turns 12
Aug. 5
Gerald Lindsey turns 50
Mark Gower turns 50
Summer Dawn Kyle turns 8
Meagan Favier turns 3
Celebrating an anniversary: Kenny and Robin Clark, 21 years.

Aug. 6
Sheri Rujawitz turns 33
Alexis Roanne Nolan turns 5
Rhonda Boyer turns 36
Aug. 7
Misty L. Timko turns 26
Bradley Grace turns 12
Marlie Reinhardt turns 71
Crystal Woolverton turns 18
Keith Douglas Thomas turns 45
Katherine M. Walker-Patt turns 41
Also celebrating a birthday: Nadine Meahan

Celebrating an anniversary: Terri and Gary Rainwater, 8 years
To submit an item to Milestones or delete an entry, send a postcard to "Milestones," Granite City Journal, 1815 Delmar Ave., Granite City, IL 62040. Please notify the paper if a person listed in Milestones has died or no longer wishes to be listed.



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Births

Brittnee Pattillo

SCOTT AND MICHELLE PATTILLO of Granite City have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Brittnee Nicole Pattillo was born at 4:45 a.m. June 6, 1999, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. She weighed 8 pounds, 11 ounces, and joins Zakary.

Her maternal grandparents are Larry and Jeanne Burton of Granite City. Paternal grandparents are Gary Pattillo of Claremont, Fla., and Jane Pattillo of Hayti, Mo.

Steven Coonce

MEL AND PAM COOCE of Granite City have announced the birth of their second child, a son.

Mel Steven Coonce was born at 12:35 p.m. June 7, 1999, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. He weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces, and joins Tiffany.

His maternal grandparents are Leroy and Sandy Mansfield of Granite City. Paternal grandparents are Mel Coonce of Moberly, Mo., and Loretta Calentine of Mitchell.

Megan Burge

PAUL AND BETSY BURGE of Granite City have announced the birth of their third child, a daughter.

Megan Elizabeth Burge was born at 8:39 a.m. June 21, 1999, at Anderson Hospital in Granite City. She weighed 8 pounds, 13 1/2 ounces, and joins Ryan and Joey.

Her maternal grandparents are Ruth and Joe Barrington of Granite City. Paternal grandparents are Jean and Don Burge of Edwardsville.

Reginald Williams

REGINALD WILLIAMS AND KISHA COTTON of Madison have announced the birth of their son.

Reginald J. Marks Kelashon Williams was born at 2:27 a.m. June 21, 1999, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He weighed 5 pounds, 12 ounces.

His maternal grandparents are Charles and Donna Cotton of Madison. Paternal grandparents are Andrew and Ruth Prowell of East St. Louis.

Ashlynn Grider

LORELL GRIDER of Granite City has announced the birth of her daughter.

Ashlynn Marie Grider was born at 12:16 p.m. June 24, 1999, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

Her maternal grandparents are Gina Scaturro and Rob Grider of Granite City.

Jocelyn Cipponeri

JOHN AND DAWN CIPPONERI of Granite City have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Jocelyn Paige Cipponeri was born at 8 a.m. July 1, 1999, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces, and joins Alyssa.

Her maternal grandparents are Butch and Sheryl Liveasay of Granite City. Paternal grandmother is Patricia Cipponeri.

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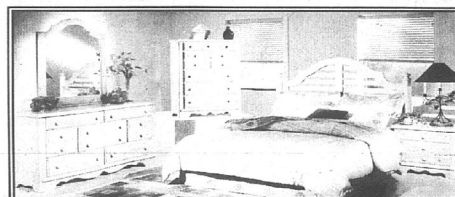


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Update Legion District 22 baseball statistics

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No doubt about it Millstadt's Rickard shines in center field

Want to start an argument with baseball oldtimers? Ask who was the best centerfielder they ever saw, and you will get a load of answers.

My pick and possibly my choice as the best player I ever saw is Willie Maye.

However, that's on the professional level, and, I guess, you could open a can of answers if you sought the best centerfielder ever in southwestern Illinois.

Art Voellinger

Sports
Views

While I pondered that thought recently, I took time to watch Chris Rickard, the centerfielder for the Millstadt VFW team of the Mon-Clair League, and am not surprised to hear some of the superlatives.

"He's the best in the league," said Millstadt manager George Vineyard, who went a step further. "I think he could play pro ball right now."

A Mon-Clair all-star with a batting average better than .500 by mid-July, the 6-foot-2, 180-pound Rickard, according to Vineyard, "has all the tools."

"He can run, hit and throw, and being a left-handed batter with his speed is a definite advantage," said Vineyard. A right-handed thrower, Rickard has roamed the outfield since his days at Freeburg High, then Kaskaskia Junior College and now Lamuth College in Jackson, Tenn. A senior-to-be majoring in criminal justice, the Smithton resident, who turned 21 on July 16, is adept at stealing outs from opposing teams.

Recently in the second game of a doubleheader against Sauget, he accounted for all three outs in the first inning by charging and catching a line drive in front of him, ranging to his right to reach for a second out and then sprinting to dead center to rob a batter of a potential home run.

"He's been doing that all season," Vineyard said of Rickard's ability to seemingly outrun the ball.

"He's definitely one of the best ever to play here," said Syd "Tuffy" Muehl, the former VFW skipper for whom the Millstadt field is named.

Yet, it is vision, the jump he gets on the ball or his reach that accounts for Rickard's fielding success?

"I always know who is batting and pitching and try to anticipate what will happen," said Rickard, whose father Ed was an outstanding catcher and umpire in the Mon-Clair League.

Aided by the fact that the Millstadt field is open (fenceless), Rickard is free to roam.

"I've seen him catch balls hit over 400 feet," said Muehl.

The best? Baseball fans can judge for themselves Aug. 11 at Fairview Heights when Rickard will start for the South Division in the league's all-star game at Longacre Park.

In July, he was on base three times on two base on balls and a bunt single — the latter leading to a six-run eighth inning — in the Mon-Clair all-stars' 8-3 victory against the Metro Collegians. Apparently, the collegians knew of Rickard since not one fly ball was hit to center field.



Tim Stephenson photo
Tri City won nine of its last 10 games and posted a six-game win streak during that span.

Post 113 had season of distinct halves Tri City overcame 4-10 opening stretch

By Rick Broome
Staff writer

Like area temperatures, Tri City Legion Post 113 experienced a meteoric rise over the course of the summer.

Tri City stumbled to a 4-10 summer start, losing close game after close game.

"I think there were a couple of reasons why we struggled early on," Tri City coach Chad Lignou said. "I think maybe the morale wasn't very high after the high school season, where they won only 12 of 34 games. Some of them lost the confidence that they should have had. It's tough after a whole season of let-downs."

"We struggled early, but we had a chance to win almost every one of those games. We just couldn't get the timely hit, or we made a fielding error. It was just one or two things that prevented us from getting over the hump. Baseball is a weird game. We had two very different halves of the season — in the first half we struggled, and then in the second we started to win ballgames."

The high school situation wasn't very good,

and it took a while for them to get going. I tried to give them confidence and let them figure it out on their own. I'm not sure they got that support with the high school team."

Post 113 closed the summer's regular season with nine wins in 10 games, a string of success that included a six-game winning streak. There were several keys to the season's shift. "Devin (Maye) came back and pitched really well," Lignou said. "He had an injury and hadn't pitched in the first two or three weeks of the season. Shaun Courtney and Scott Schardan were already pitching pretty well, and Jason Acord started pitching well in relief, so getting Devin into that mix really helped."

"Around the time of the Nashville game (July 3), Aaron Hobbach stepped up and started smacking the ball. That just added to Matt (Pistorius), Teddy (Millas), Elliott (Dine) and Matt Merzer, who were steady all year. Aaron really added that spark we needed."

Tri City headed into the playoffs on July 17 with two games six hours apart under the muggy sun. Post 113 won the first 2-0 against Alton behind Maye's stellar pitching. That afternoon, Tri City used defense and timely

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Paddlers coming together at right time

By Rick Broome
Staff writer

The Paddlers Swim Club had a week of hit-and-miss competition.

The Paddlers knocked off Gaslight by more than 200 points July 21 at Gaslight Pool before falling to Summer Sport Tuesday night, 388-299. "The kids swam well," Celeste Furmanek said. "Gaslight has a yard pool, and Paddlers is measured in meters, so I think the kids felt like it was a shorter distance."

Furmanek said Harrison Green and Ryan Schooley (8-and-under), Matt Schooley (9-10), Brant McFarland

Show progress prior to All-Club meet

(11-12), Justin Schooley (13-14) and Matt Dittman (15-18) among the boys had excellent races.

For the girls, Kaisi Hartwick (8-and-under), Carey Burton (9-10), Cassie Koelker and Rachel Clark (11-12), Jenna Cassidy (13-14) and Robyn Slater (15-18) came through with top finishes in quick times.

"The kids just started to come together as a team against Gaslight," Furmanek said. "When we got the relay teams in the pool and started doing so well, I think the kids saw how good they could be as a team, especially the little kids."

Paddlers thundered in the water against Summer Sport, but couldn't crest the defending champions' waves.

"The kids swam very well against Summer Sport," Furmanek said. "Last year they beat us by more than 150 points, so cutting that to 99 was a big improvement. It was neck-and-neck until the last 12 or 15 events. We didn't really expect to be that close, but the kids swam very well."

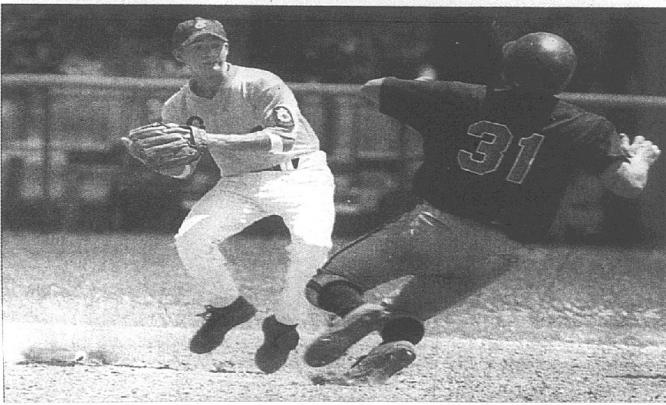
Furmanek is pleased that her team is getting closer to Summer Sport, which has dominated the area in recent years.

Furmanek hopes her team can come

through in the All-Club meet on Aug. 7 and emerge from Summer Sport's wake. Last year's All-Club meet saw the Paddlers finish in third, 90 points behind Summer Sport and 50 from second-place Mon-Clair.

"It's excellent progress," Furmanek said. "I'm still very pleased about the result because we were missing some of our kids. We still probably wouldn't have beaten them, but it would have been even closer if we had all of our swimmers."

"I think the All-Club meet will be a lot closer than last year. The top three teams were very close, and Gaslight was close to us in fourth. You never know what will happen in the last race, but we have a full week to get ready."



Paul Baillargeon photo
Edwardsville American Legion shortstop Todd Spitzke (left) tries to turn a double play during last weekend's District 22 championship series.

Turner leads offensive charge vs. Carmi

Edwardsville player blasts three round trippers in 21-4 playoff rout

By Bruce Marshall
Staff writer

Edwardsville Post 199 made it a clean sweep in the first day of the American Senior Legion Fifth Division Tournament.

After slipping past Harrisburg Post 167 18-15 in an offensive slugfest Wednesday morning, Post 199 captured a 21-4, seven-inning win over Carmi Post 224 in the nightcap at Eckler Park.

Against Carmi, Edwardsville exploded for 19 runs in the bottom of the first inning, and Matt

Turner carried the team the rest of the way with three home runs in the game. Carmi was generous with its defensive play by committing six errors in the game.

Tim Hansel logged a complete game against Carmi, facing just 31 batters in the game. He allowed nine hits, while walking two and striking out eight. All four Carmi runs were earned.

Turner, meanwhile, went 3 for 4 at the plate with six RBI. Turner's blasts were all two-run shots, and they came in the first, third and sixth innings.

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Edwardsville wins first three in tourney

Post 199 was close to securing state berth

By Louie Korac
Staff writer

Edwardsville Post 199 was taking a crack at another Fifth Division title this weekend.

Edwardsville, the defending national champion of American Legion baseball, put up an offensive display for the third straight game in division play, beating Carterville 16-5 in eight innings Thursday night at Eckler Field in Carmi.

Post 199 rolled through the winners bracket with three straight wins.

Edwardsville (29-6), which is on a nine-game winning streak, was to play Saturday morning in the championship round, when it will face either Carmi Post 224, Harrisburg Post 167 or Carterville. Those three teams battled in the losers bracket Friday while Post 199 had a day of rest.

Edwardsville belted out three home runs Thursday as Nick Seibert, Matt Bogie and Adam Bernaix recorded round-trippers.

Seibert was 5 for 5 with three RBI. Bogie was 2 for 5, Bernaix was 3 for 6 and Todd Spitzke was 4 for 5 with a double and an RBI. Matt Turner, who homered three times against Carmi, was 3 for 6 with a double and an RBI.

Chris Johnson (6-2) picked up the victory on the mound, going the first six innings and allowing nine hits, five

"The kids are confident playing here."

Ken Schaaqe
Edwardsville manager

runs (three earned), four walks and eight strikeouts.

"The kids are confident playing here," said Edwardsville manager Ken Schaaqe. "The pitchers are feeling confident because of the offensive production and it's making things easier on them."

Edwardsville pounded out 22 hits in the game, which followed an 18-15 victory against Harrisburg and a 21-4 shellacking of host Carmi on Wednesday.

"The ball Seibert hit was legitimate," Schaaqe said. "Bogie's was a line shot and Bernaix's may be questionable and may have been caught at our place (Edwardsville Sports Complex)."

Jake Schette pitched the final two innings in relief of Johnson.

"He did fine," Schaaqe said. "Johnson, with the heat and all, he had some problems with the ball slipping out of his hands, but he came up pretty big. He did everything we asked him to do."

Edwardsville opened up a close 4-3 lead in the top of the fifth by putting up six runs to take a 10-3 lead.

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Crusaders will skate into a new league

By Scott Marlon
Staff writer

The Althoff hockey club will be spending more time in Missouri next season.

PREP ICE HOCKEY

The Crusaders, who played for three years against other Metro East schools in the Mississippi Valley Club Hockey Association, will switch to the St. Louis-based Mid-States Club Hockey Association for the 1990-2000 season. Althoff joins Granite City, which has a club in both leagues — as the second Illinois team in the MSCHA. The two schools will not play in the same division.

"We're going to be in the Metro Catholic Division with DeSmet, CBC, Chaminade, Vianney, SLUH and St.

Althoff leaves MVCHA for St. Louis-based Mid-States

Mary's," said Althoff coach Chuck Donze. "We've been talking to (Mid-States officials) for the past couple months because they had an opening in that division."

"We had a question-and-answer session, then their board (of directors) voted to accept us as a new member of the league. Our board voted to accept their offer. It seems like a natural fit for us, being a private Catholic school and being able to play in an all-Catholic division. We can build some new rivalries."

"By no means were we unhappy with the MVCHA. We'll still schedule

a number of non-league games with geographic rivals like Belleville, East, Belleville West and O'Fallon."

Donze knows Althoff will have its work cut out for it in the Metro Catholic Division title. DeSmet, CBC and Vianney have won more than half of the Mid-States championships in the league's 29 seasons.

"We're not going to be as strong a year this year as we were last year," Donze said. "We graduated 12 seniors, including all three goalies, so we're in a rebuilding phase."

"The Metro Catholic Division has some of the toughest high school hockey teams in the area, so we'll

really struggle for a couple years. But I tell people, 'Don't judge this move my this year or the next year.' We have a lot of good young players coming up through the youth association and we should be able to strengthen our program as the years go by."

After a sluggish start, Althoff became one of the better teams in the MVCHA.

"The first year we had a rough year and won only three games, all non-division," Donze said. "The second year, we finished third or fourth (in the Southern Division) but got all the way to the division final

before losing to Granite City. Last year we were second overall and lost to O'Fallon for the division championship. Both of those teams went on to win the league championship."

Althoff's schedule for next season includes 20 Mid-States games for the varsity and 14 games for the junior varsity. The Crusaders will continue to play their home games at the U.S. Ice Sports Complex in Fairview Heights, which opened in May 1988.

"We're looking to schedule somewhere between 30 and 35 games total (for the varsity)," Donze said. "We've been driving 35 to 40 minutes for games at East Alton, so going to Brentwood (Mo.) or Affton (Mo.) won't be that much different."

American Legion statistics

American Legion District 22 Senior Standings (Final)

(Source: District 22)

League	Points
NORTH BLUE	10-11
Edwardsville	10-11
Bethalto	9-12
Granite City	9-12
Alton	6-15
South Roxana	6-15
NORTH RED	10-11
Troy	10-11
Collinsville	10-11
Highland	10-11
East St. Louis	10-11
SOUTH BLUE	10-11
Fairview Heights	10-11
Columbia	10-11
Channahon	10-11
Dupo	10-11
SOUTH RED	10-11
Belleville	10-11
Waterloo	10-11
Nashville	10-11
Smithton	10-11

American Legion District 22 Junior Standings (Final)

(Source: District 22)

League	Points
NORTH	10-11
Edwardsville	10-11
Alton	10-11
Troy	10-11
Wood River	10-11
Collinsville	10-11
Worden	10-11
Granite City	10-11
Highland	10-11
Bethalto	10-11
SOUTH	10-11
O'Fallon	10-11
Fairview Heights	10-11
Frederick	10-11
Belleville	10-11
South Roxana	10-11
Waterloo	10-11
Stookey	10-11

District 22 Senior Statistics (Source: Sports Stats)

Player	AB	AVG
S. Haake, Waterloo	59	.542
Schutzhofer, Fairview	66	.535
Z. Borowiak, Nashville	73	.478
N. Seibert, Edwardsville	31	.516
Schmersahl, Waterloo	54	.481
J. McBride, Troy	73	.478
K. Young, Highland	99	.456
K. Tilton, Fairview	83	.453
T. Quern, Smithton	82	.451
J. Vailor, Smithton	117	.444
S. McGinnis, Alton	115	.443
J. Schwierjohn, Alton	105	.438
Astrauskas, Collinsville	76	.434
T. Kirk, Smithton	118	.432
S. Hampton, O'Fallon	83	.424
T. Hanel, Edwardsville	83	.422
M. Brown, Fairview	79	.418
D. Brinkley, Fairview	79	.418

Home Runs

Player	HR
Wayne Astrauskas, Collinsville	11
Shawn Hampton, O'Fallon	9
Kyle Young, Highland	9
Andy Schutzhofer, Fairview	9
Mike Brown, Fairview	7
Keith Tilton, Fairview	7
Steve Haake, Waterloo	7
Justin McClintock, Collinsville	6
Justin McBride, Troy	6
Jeremy Schmersahl, Waterloo	6
Kevin Sangiolo, Belleville	5
Zachary Borowiak, Nashville	5
Jared Hayes, Troy	5
Louis Beatty, Fairview	5
Brooks Colvin, O'Fallon	5
Brad Bone, Fairview	5
Kirk Heischmidt, Alton	4

Triples

Player	3B
Kevin Sangiolo, Belleville	3
Nick Bohnenstiel, O'Fallon	3
Eric Cameron, Nashville	4
Jake Gutler, Highland	4
Travis Kirk, Smithton	4
Jason Diakemmer, Belleville	3
Jason Ballesteros, Bethalto	3
Travis Jones, Belleville	3
Jake Frederick, Belleville	3
Jared Hayes, Troy	3
Jeff Schwierjohn, Alton	3
Andy Schutzhofer, Fairview	3
Robert Rahn, South Roxana	3
Brad Bone, Fairview	3
Andrew Batson, Columbia	3

Doubles

Player	2B
David Tebbe, Highland	14
Jeff Schwierjohn, Alton	13



Collinsville American Legion Post 199's Dan Munoz led District 22 with five saves this summer.

Player	AB	AVG
Andy Schutzhofer, Fairview	13	.538
David Tebbe, Highland	13	.538
Brundon Haake, Alton	12	.500
Sam Powers, Alton	12	.500
Dante Brinkley, Fairview	12	.500
Zachary Borowiak, Nashville	12	.500
Dan Munoz, Collinsville	12	.500
Lane Thebaud, Collinsville	12	.500
Lucas Wessel, Belleville	11	.545
Shawn Hampton, O'Fallon	11	.500
Justin Clayton, Collinsville	10	.500
Travis Jones, Belleville	10	.500
Brooks Colvin, O'Fallon	10	.500

Player	AB	AVG
Andy Schutzhofer, Fairview	47	.427
Shawn Hampton, O'Fallon	46	.435
Keith Tilton, Fairview	37	.432
Yule Young, Highland	35	.429
Justin Clayton, Collinsville	34	.412
Dane Thebaud, Collinsville	34	.412
Jeff Schwierjohn, Alton	31	.419
Justin McBride, Troy	31	.419
Kevin Sangiolo, Belleville	31	.419
Brooks Colvin, O'Fallon	30	.400
Dave Tebbe, Highland	30	.400
Wayne Astrauskas, Collinsville	29	.414
Jeremy Schmersahl, Waterloo	29	.414

Player	AB	AVG
Wayne Astrauskas, Collinsville	44	.455
Nick Bohnenstiel, O'Fallon	41	.415
Jeff Schwierjohn, Alton	41	.415
Ryan Grindstaff, O'Fallon	39	.410
Andy Schutzhofer, Fairview	38	.421
Shawn Hampton, O'Fallon	37	.405
Derek Stratman, O'Fallon	34	.412
Zachary Borowiak, Nashville	34	.412
Andy Morrill, O'Fallon	32	.406
Matt Briggs, Collinsville	32	.406
Keith Mumper, Fairview	32	.406
Brad Bone, Fairview	31	.406
Keith Tilton, Fairview	31	.406
Andrew Sker, Smithton	31	.406
Steve Haake, Waterloo	31	.406
Chris French, Belleville	30	.400

Player	AB	AVG
Travis Yates, Troy	18	.500
Chris Schwarz, Highland	13	.538
Jake Gutler, Highland	12	.500
Justin McBride, Troy	12	.500
Nick Barnett, Highland	10	.500
Steve Haake, Waterloo	10	.500
Andy Schutzhofer, Fairview	9	.500
Mike Duff, Troy	9	.500
Dante Brinkley, Fairview	9	.500
Kyle Wisemeyer, Troy	9	.500
Ryan Morrissey, Alton	9	.500
Jason Ballesteros, Bethalto	9	.500
Justin Koffling, Waterloo	8	.500
Nick Stroback, Alton	8	.500
Keith Mumper, Collinsville	8	.500
Todd Bauer, Troy	8	.500
Dustin Ziebold, Waterloo	14	.500
Sisk, Bethalto	13	.500

Parks District standings

Granite City Park District ADULT SOFTBALL	Women 4A
Jacobsmeyers/Bud Life.....8-2	Jacobsmeyers.....10-1
Eagles.....7-3	Wm. Schooley Law.....7-4
Bindy's.....5-4	Ernie & Annie's.....3-7
Elks.....2-7	Mexican Honorary.....2-8
M.H.C.....1-9	
	Coed Blue
	Jacobsmeyers II.....8-1
	Jacobsmeyers I.....8-3
	Bindy's.....7-4
	Evolution.....3-6
	Sitting Ducks.....1-8
	Coed Red
	G.C. Rocketts.....9-1
	Rocky's.....3-6
	Evolution.....3-8
	CDI Sluggers.....2-8
	YOUTH BASEBALL
	Bantam II
	Moore Lodge Jaguars.....7-0
	G.C. Elks.....5-2
	Save-A-Lot.....5-2
	Cardinals.....4-2
	Creamers.....1-6
	Burger King Bobcats.....1-6
	Midget II
	Eagles.....4-1
	O.A. Hornets.....4-2
	McFarland Colts.....4-3
	Mats Muffler.....4-3
	Demons.....2-3
	Bull Dogs.....0-5
	Midget I
	Grand Slammers.....6-0
	Patterson Tire Tigers.....4-2
	Spaulding Sharks.....4-2
	Eagles.....2-4
	Wat's Wildcats.....2-4
	Holten Meat Cleavers.....1-7
	Juvenile
	VFW Post 1300.....5-1
	Cobras.....6-2
	Elke Hane Towing.....2-3
	D.Q. Menaces.....3-3
	Indians.....3-4
	White Sox.....0-6
	Atom I
	P.W. Bulldogs.....7-0
	Panthers.....5-2
	Twisters.....2-5
	Pizza World II.....2-6
	Bantam I
	Eagles 1126.....8-0
	AFCME A's.....4-1
	Predators.....4-3
	G.C. Elks.....4-3
	Raptors.....4-5
	Warriors.....3-4
	G.C. Housing Authority.....1-6
	ABA Home & Building Ins.....1-7
	Atom II
	Monsoons.....4-0
	Warriors.....5-1
	IAC Dodgers.....4-1
	Golf USA Gators.....5-1
	Eagles.....2-2
	G.C. Elks.....3-4
	Blue Eagles.....2-3
	Giants.....2-3
	Rangers.....0-6
	Angels.....0-6
	SOFTBALL
	Pony Tail Atom
	Little Angels.....6-0
	Stingers.....5-1
	Purple Puma's.....6-2
	Andy's Main Line Trains.....4-5
	Colt's Corner Market.....4-3
	G.C. Elks.....1-5
	Rugrats.....0-6
	Pony Tail Midgets
	MHC Red Hots.....7-0
	Gration Home.....5-2
	Pizza World.....4-3
	Moose Hearts.....4-4
	Curly's Corner Market.....2-3
	G.C. Elks.....1-5
	Back Street Girls.....0-5
	Pony Tail Bantam
	Merz Chiropractic.....10-0
	C.G. Moose Wildcats II.....5-2
	Edwardsville Sting.....5-3
	Mad Dog.....4-5
	Rain Tunnel Monsoons.....3-4
	Elm Sheet Metal.....3-5
	Lady Bugs.....2-4
	G.C. Elks.....1-6
	Sweet Tarts.....1-6
	Pony Tail Juvenile
	Dr. Valcoff.....4-0
	Dragons.....3-1
	Wildcats.....3-2
	Bindy's.....1-3
	Elks 85.....4-3
	Flames.....1-4

Rascals unleash appetite for Frontier League play

By Brian Bretsch
Staff writer

Future Gateway Grizzlies season ticket holders were treated to a night out at the old ballpark recently — compliments of the River City Rascals.

Grizzlies general manager Eric Margolis said more than 200 future season-ticket holders from the Metro area were treated to free tickets and a free bus ride to T.R. Hughes Ballpark in O'Fallon (Mo.) on July 25.

"We sent out invitations and hoped people would respond,

but you never know how many," Margolis said. "It always blows your mind with the kind of support we are getting. It was neat seeing the people wearing Grizzlies hats and T-shirts."

The Rascals game gave Grizzlies fans a sample of what is in store once the independent Frontier League team hits the field, which will hopefully be next summer in a 5,000-seat stadium in Collinsville.

Diane Meyer and her husband Dale of Collinsville were among the locals in attendance. The Meyers had visited the Hughes Ballpark earlier in July, and Diane walked away with a souvenir.

"I caught a foul ball at the first game," Meyer said. "I was standing behind the last row of seats. The ball whistled off the batter's bat and over everybody's head. It smashed off the back of the wall. I turned around and it careened right into my hands."

"It is such a good atmosphere. There is something to do every second."

Bob Brendel of Troy went to the game with five members of his family. The Brendel clan had such a memorable experience that they cannot

wait until the Grizzlies begin play. "I went over to see the park and how they built it. I was really impressed," said Brendel, whose father, Owen, was in the St. Louis Cardinals minor league system. "We had bleacher seats with backs. They were real comfortable."

"My mom (Sally Brendel) said she would rather go to a game like this than a Cardinals game," Brendel said. "It took me 45 minutes to get to the park. It was easy. I guarantee everybody is going to love this once they bond

with the players. It will be great."

Chad Doyle, a real estate agent who lives in Collinsville, said it was easy to get caught up in the fun and excitement of the game and the surrounding festivities. "The announcer was just crazy," Doyle said. "He would say, 'Would the owner of such-and-such car come to the (concession) stand.' You were expecting him to say 'Your lights are on.' He would say, 'Your car is dirty. You win a free car wash from so-and-so. It's more of a night out

than just going to a game." Don Briddell and his wife, Becky, of Maryville said the game brought back plenty of memories. Briddell was a minor league pitcher in the early '70s in both the Baltimore Orioles and Cardinals system.

"I was taken back by how many fans they drew," Briddell said. "Becky and I both are looking forward now more than ever to taking the family and the grand kids to the game versus the hubbub of the big ballpark."

Tri City survives slow start to reach .500 mark

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hitting to knock off Bethalto 5-2.

The two victories punched Post 113's ticket into the double-elimination tournament, where they fell in successive games to Troy and Edwardsville, the eventual district champion.

"We would have liked not to have to win those two extra games," Lignoul said. "We tied for third (with Bethalto)

and lost the tiebreaker, so we had to play Saturday morning. It would have helped if we only had to play one game. But those were four quality teams in the double-elimination tournament. We have nothing to hang our heads over."

The strong finish rescued summer baseball in the area. "Coming off the kind of year they had in high school, if someone had told me we would go 13-13 I wouldn't have been happy, but I would have taken it," Lignoul said. "We were a

talented team, but we knew we would have to fight and scrap with people for everything we would get. And if we had won just half of those one-run games, we could have been 16-9. Those games make a big difference in your season."

Next summer's high school and Legion teams will feature some new faces, many who will have to fill the gaps left by graduation.

"There will be a lot of guys back," Lignoul said. "There will be a few gaps to fill with us losing players. The biggest

gap will be at catcher, losing Matt (Mercer). They don't really have an experienced guy behind him who can step in."

"It's going to be hard to replace Teddy, Dine, (Dustin) Murphy, Courtney. I don't know how deep the pitching will be after Scott and Devin. Some of the young kids will have to step up and fill those gaps. But most of the position players will be back next year. We have a real possibility to be good next year."

Turner leads Edwardsville's charge

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Nick Seibert contributed three hits with two runs scored and three RBI.

After a walk to Tim Hansel and after the Carmi leftfielder dropped Chris McCoy's fly ball, Seibert drilled a line drive off the center field fence to score Hansel and McCoy. Adam Bernaix singled in Seibert but was forced at second on Todd Spitz's grounder to the third baseman. Turner then stepped to the plate and hit a two-run homer

over the right field fence. Ryan Peterson got the rally started again with a single up the middle, followed by a Travis Riggs single.

After the second out of the inning, Hansel came to the plate again and grounded to the Carmi second baseman, who could not handle the ball, and Hansel reached safely. McCoy singled to drive in Peterson. The ball got through the left fielder's legs, allowing Riggs and Hansel to score. McCoy also advanced on the error and moved to third on a wild pitch. He scored on Seibert's single.

Seibert scored the 10th run of the first when the centerfielder tripped and

missed Bernaix's line drive. Carmi scored a run in the third and one in the fourth on solo home runs.

In the bottom of the third, Edwardsville put four more runs on the board. McCoy hit a two-run homer, and Turner hit his second of the game. Carmi added another run in the fifth to cut the lead to 4-3, but Edwardsville added four more in the fifth. Turner hit his third homer before Hansel helped his own cause by doubling in Peterson and Riggs.

Edwardsville piled on three more runs in the sixth. Carmi added a run in the seventh to round out the scoring.

Post 119 wins three

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"That was crucial at the time," Schaake said. "The kids know that a couple runs here and there aren't going to win a game here, so they know that these types of innings are needed."

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YOU COULD BE A REPORTER FOR THE 'DUBBA DUBBA UPDATE'!!

Every Friday between 3 and 5 P.M., Laura, George and Gabe inform St. Louis area kids about news, history and more! NOW, it could be YOU doing the reporting!! On Saturday, August 21st at Westfield Shoppingtown, South County from noon until 4:00 P.M., it's the 'Dubba Dubba Update' auditions! We'll give you all the details, so keep watching WB11 Kids to find out more!

Is Sweeping The Nation!

NOW YOU CAN BE A PART OF ALL THE POKE'MON EXCITEMENT WITH WB11 KIDS AND HASBRO! HERE'S HOW: DRAW AND COLOR YOUR FAVORITE POKE'MON ON A SHEET OF PAPER AND MAIL IT TO: WB11 KIDS POKE'MANIA CONTEST, 4935 LINDELL BLVD., ST. LOUIS, MO 63108. 11 ENTRIES WILL BE CHOSEN AT RANDOM TO WIN A POKE'MON PRIZE FROM HASBRO! OUT OF THE 11 SELECTED, ONE GRAND PRIZE WINNER WILL GET A SPECIAL GRAND PRIZE PACK AND GET THEIR DRAWING PUBLISHED IN THE WB11 KIDS PAGE!



Get POSITUDE For Your School

Laura, George and Gabe present 'Posititude' a twenty five minute program in which they talk to kids about self-esteem and peer pressure! 'Posititude' is presented at camps and schools year-round and it's FREE!! For more information call Gabe at 367-7211 or visit our website at WWW.KPLR.COM Also, Check out the WB 11 KIDS CREW, Laura, George and Gabe during kids programs Monday through Saturday!

ST. LOUIS COUNTY

FAIR & AIR SHOW

1999

Mark your calendar for Labor Day Weekend SEPTEMBER 4-6

for the St. Louis County Fair and Air Show 1999! Come visit the WB11 BIG TENT for lots of fun. We'll have games and lots of prizes. You can even meet the KIDS CLUB CREW. There will also be rides, food, fireworks and much more. You won't want to miss the annual Air Show featuring Northern Lights' supersonic jet aerobatics team and all scouts can get into the fair FREE on Monday, September 6. Come join the FUN!!



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BE A PART OF WB 11 KIDS.
RECEIVE A MEMBERSHIP CARD WHICH WILL GET YOU DISCOUNTS AT AREA ATTRACTIONS AND BUSINESSES. ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS COMPLETE THE FORM BELOW AND MAIL TO:

WB11 KIDS, 4935 LINDELL BLVD., ST. LOUIS, MO 63108
"KIDS MUST BE 12 OR YOUNGER"

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
CITY _____ STATE _____
ZIP _____
BIRTHDATE _____

August Card Values

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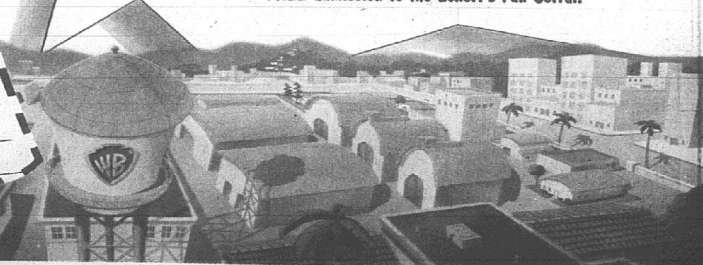
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